



# ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL HERALD



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## METROPOLITAN ANTHONY TO BE LAID TO REST AT THE LIFE GIVING SPRING MONASTERY AT ST NICHOLAS RANCH

As indicated in the January issue, Metropolitan Anthony himself directed that the trisagion service be held at the Annunciation Cathedral and the funeral service at the Ascension Cathedral (because we do not yet have a church that could have accommodated the funeral). He also directed that he be buried at the Monastery of the Theotokos the Life-Giving Spring at the St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center.

Because no cemetery exists there, special permission is required to permit the burial. Meanwhile, the body was temporarily entombed at the Greek Orthodox Memorial Park in Colma. As this issue of the Herald was going to press, we learned that special legislation, in the form of amendments to Senate Bill No. 28, sponsored by Senators Poochigien, Alquist and Speier, is being enacted, (the Senate passed it on January 27th; the Assembly will pass it about February 1) and will be signed by Governor Schwarzenegger.

Meanwhile, the authorities of Fresno County have agreed to the burial. Once it is permissible, the Metropolitan's body will be moved and interred at the Monastery. An appropriate monument will be erected over the grave.

As soon as the date of the burial is known, Annunciation parishioners will be notified, so that those who wish to attend may do so.

## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Immediately following the funeral of Metropolitan Anthony on December 29, 2004, in accordance with the Charter and canonical practice, the neighboring metropolitan, in this case, Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver, was appointed *locum tenens*, that is, temporary caretaker of the Metropolis, until a successor to Metropolitan Anthony is elected. Why, then, someone might ask, do we commemorate Archbishop Demetrios during the Divine Liturgy now, instead of Metropolitan Isaiah. Precisely, because he is not our next ecclesiastical superior--this is Archbishop Demetrios, who heads the Archdiocese--until, that is, a successor to Metropolitan Anthony is elected. As Metropolitan Isaiah himself put it in a recent letter to us, he is tem-

porarily overseeing the administrative aspect of our Metropolis.

Now, following Metropolitan Anthony's death, a list of some 35 eligible candidates was published in the Orthodox Observer. The faithful were invited to submit comments, if they so choose, confidentially, until February 7th. Some time during the week following, the Eparchial Synod (that is, all the Metropolitans, plus the Archbishop) will convene and elect three candidates. The votes will be tallied and the election results will be forwarded to the Ecumenical Patriarchate, where the Holy Synod there will elect one of those candidates. That person will be named the next Metropolitan of San Francisco.

If the Metropolitan-elect is a priest, then he will be ordained, that is, consecrated a bishop, first, and then be brought to San Francisco, where he will be enthroned. If he is already a bishop, he will be brought to San Francisco to be enthroned. All of this may take place during the month of March. Once this is known, Annunciation's parishioners will be informed by letter and, subsequently, invited to attend both the enthronement and the banquet which will follow.

On January 22nd, the Metropolitan Council appointed a four-person committee to make plans for this purpose. The committee consists of Fanis Economidis, vice-chairman of the Council, Father Stephen Kyriacou, Valerie Roumeliotis, President of the Metropolis Philoptochos, and Father Paul Schroeder, Chancellor.

## DONOR WALL

At long last, we have a donor wall, and it is magnificent. It is a fitting tribute to those who have made possible the rebuilding of the first phase of the facilities lost to the Loma Prieta earthquake, which phase cost just under \$4 million. The wall, made of tempered glass, and imprinted with the names of the many people who participated, as a testament to their faith, is located over the model and the old altar table, under the arch at the western end of the gallery, towards Valencia Street.

The many positive comments we have heard since its installation a few weeks ago is that it is simple, it is beautifully elegant, it is an appropriate recognition for phase one, but it also points the way to phase two. More about phase two in coming issues of the Herald.

## SUN. FEB. 6: MINI COOPER SUNDAY

The Mini Cooper committee is pleased to announce that the drawing for our 2005 *Mini Cooper* will take place at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, February 6 (which is also "Super Bowl Sunday"). We are definitely in the home stretch. The last big gathering before the drawing was the Crab Feed, where a number of tickets were sold. In addition, **Tom Nuris**, President of the Parish Council, sent an impassioned appeal to Annunciation's communicants asking everyone to buy a ticket, thus helping the Cathedral, for virtually every ticket after the 200th sold is much-needed income to the Cathedral. In addition, it makes for the success of this event. The winner will be announced in the March issue of the *Herald*.

The car which is being raffled off is a 2005 silver metallic **Mini Cooper**, secured by the Annunciation Cathedral through Mini of San Francisco, and includes the following options: premium package, multi function steering wheel, glass moon roof, air conditioning, automatic transmission and a CD stereo player. Vehicle tax and license for this Mini Cooper are also included. The winner will be notified by mail, that is, in writing, and must be at least 18 years of age to win. The winner accepts the responsibility for insurance, income taxes and other costs of owning a vehicle.

All that having been said, we think this is a great raffle, and this is why people are responding so well. We thank you for your participation.

### 23rd ANNUAL CRAB FEED - A WONDERFUL SUCCESS

January 21 was another one of those wonderful evenings at the Cathedral. Once again, the crab feed was fully sold out. The usual crowd was there. Newcomers were there. All agreed, this is the best crab feed anywhere. We're very proud of this achievement. But it wasn't always this way.

23 years ago, **Charlotte** and the late **Gus Derdevanis** attended a crab feed elsewhere in the Bay Area and came back with the thought that one should be held at their church. It took persistence on Charlotte's part. Finally, the priest said, "Charlotte, if you want to have a crab feed, then you do it." **Teia Nuris** overheard this and said she would help. Since then, these two women enlist the participation of Philoptochos and non-Philoptochos members year after year. (Philoptochos is the women's organization at the Annunciation Cathedral; the word means, literally, "friend of the poor.") Charlotte and Teia have for some years been joined by another hard-working member of the Philoptochos, **Anna Dricos**, whose efforts have helped make this event, attended by up to 700 people, the success that it is. In addition to being there from the planning stages and set-up, Anna Dricos comes back after the event to make sure everything is clean and to put away items needed for the following year's crab feed.

It was appropriate, therefore, that these three women--Charlotte, Teia, and Anna--were honored at the crab feed. They were presented with long stem red roses and dinner certificates to Kokkari Estiatorio. *A job well done!*

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### "INTRODUCING THE ORTHODOX CHURCH" RESUMES FEBRUARY 13

Session one of the course, designed to guide those who are seeking to be received into the Church through baptism or (if they are already baptized in the Name of the Holy Trinity) through chrismation, as well as to help anyone who is interested to learn more about the Orthodox faith, concluded just before Christmas. Session two of the course begins Sunday, February 13th in the second floor conference room, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. We invite your attendance.

### SHALL FATHER STEPHEN RESUME SPEAKING ON THE GREEK RADIO HOUR?

You may recall that, up to about 5 years ago, **Father Stephen** offered a message and made some announcements on a weekly basis in the Hellenic American Broadcast, heard daily, from 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., 1400 on your AM radio dial. A new opportunity has presented itself whereby Father Stephen has been asked to resume his participation in the radio hour. He has been asked to speak for 7 minutes at the beginning of each week, both for the purpose of imparting a message, and also making relevant announcements concerning the Annunciation Cathedral community.

However, there is a cost associated in this participation. The cost is \$119 per broadcast, or \$6,188 for the year. Given the high costs associated with radio broadcasting, this is not a lot of money. Yet, given the income and expense breakdown presented elsewhere in this issue, one can readily see that the budget cannot support this expense. And, so, we turn to our parishioners and ask, "shall Father Stephen resume speaking on the Greek radio hour?" Meaning, "is there someone out there who would like to underwrite the costs, to enable this to happen?"

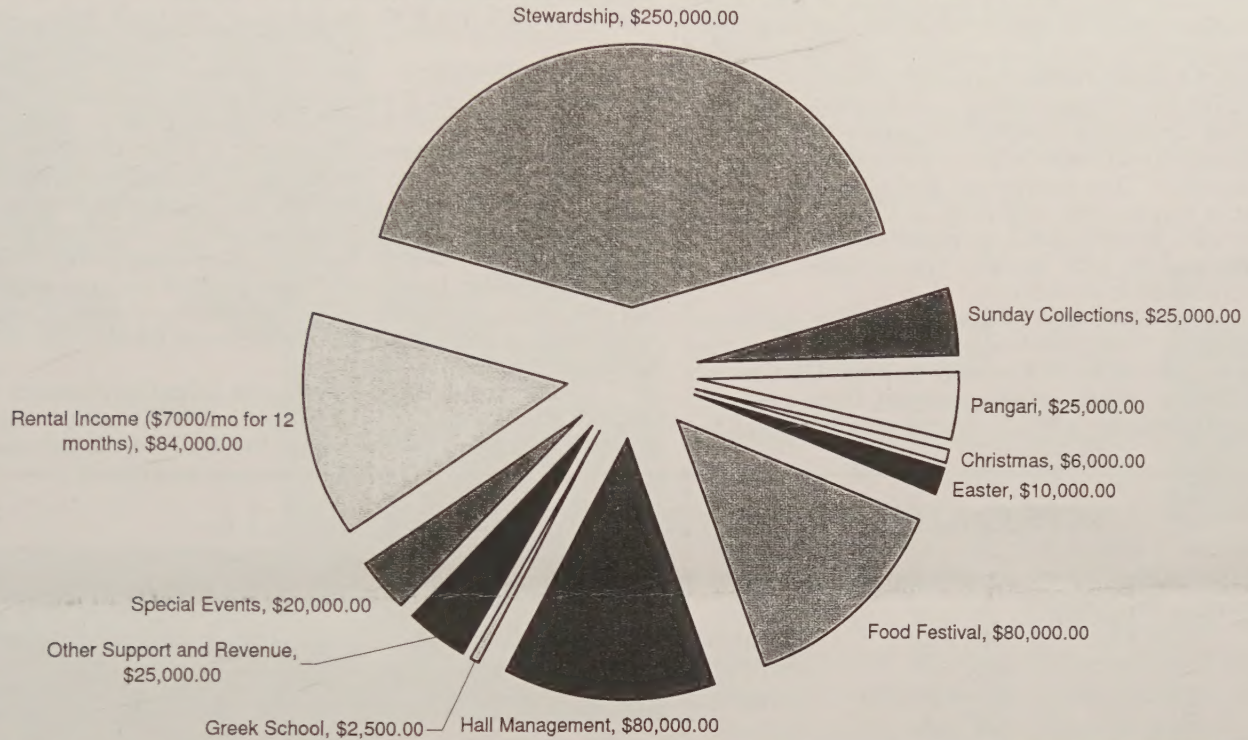
Please consider it, and speak with Father Stephen, or any member of the Parish Council. We would like to be able to have Father's message heard once again on the Hellenic American Broadcast.

## OUR 2005 BUDGET-YOU NEED TO KNOW

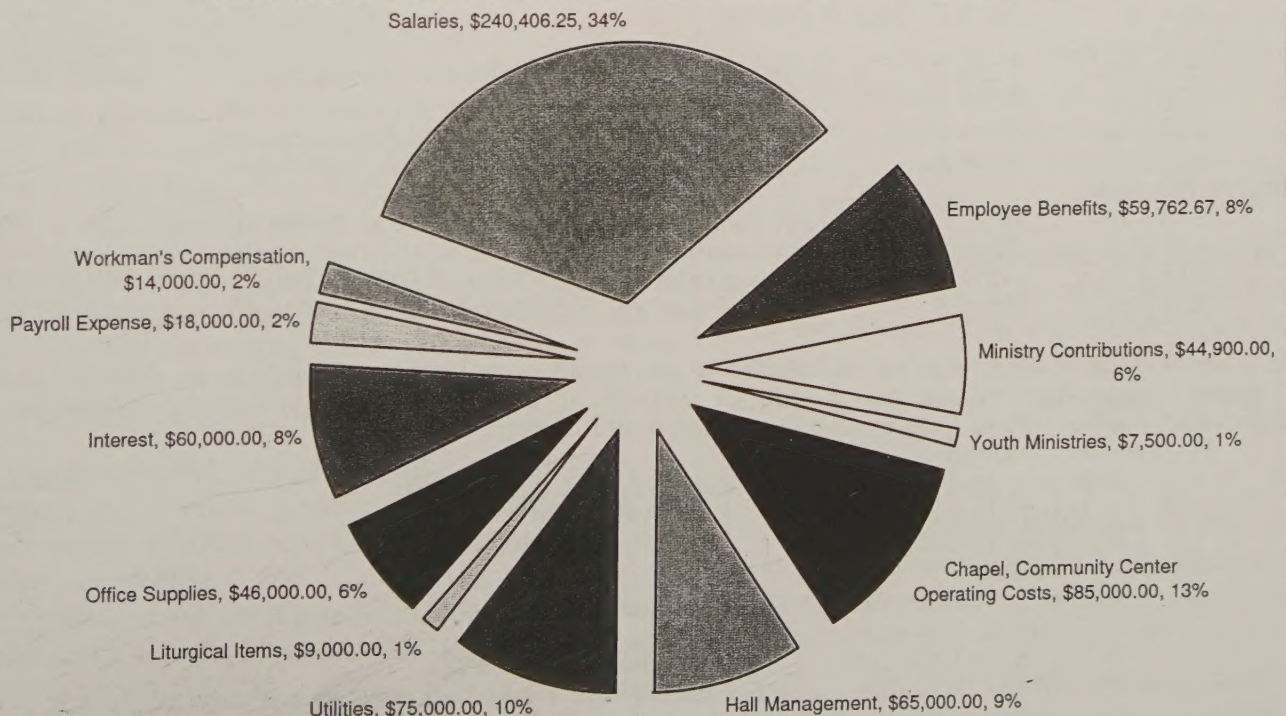
Below are two pie charts. One shows a projected breakdown of the Cathedral's income for 2005. According to this, Stewardship, for example, accounts for 40% of the income. The rest is raised from a variety of other sources. The second pie chart shows a projected breakdown of the Cathedral's expenses for 2005. Here, salaries account for 36%. The rest is related to the various other aspects of running the church. Some 8% goes to paying interest for Phase I, on which we still owe a little over \$1 million.

How do we balance the two? Unfortunately, we rely on some of the income from the Waldorf School rent, which we had hoped to put aside for Phase II. We are also considering a number of fund-raisers, such as the Mini Cooper Raffle, as we chart a course to expand and enhance Stewardship as the major source of revenue. In all other respects, our community is strong, both in terms of our assets and in terms of our programs. We thank the many volunteers who work tirelessly to promote and safeguard the interests of our Church and of our parish.

### 2005 BUDGET INCOME BREAKDOWN - \$607,500



### 2005 BUDGET EXPENSE BREAKDOWN - \$725,569



# FOCUS ON YOUTH

## EVERYTHING IS LEADING UP TO FDF: ARETE RECEIVES GIFT OF CYPRIOT COSTUMES

Our young people are "frantically" preparing, once again, to participate in the **Folk Dance Festival** which, this year, is being held in Ontario, California, Thursday, February 17 through Sunday, February 20. We wish them well as they learn new dances, as their parents sew new costumes, and as all of them, under the direction of their advisors and directors, raise funds to enable their participation. Most recently, the proceeds from the sale of loukoumades (honey-covered sweets) on January 30th went to help our youth go to FDF. We are also very grateful for the very generous donation of hand-made full costumes for the boys and the girls for Arete, who will be presenting a suite of Cypriot dances. The costumes are the gift of the Government of Cyprus, secured from its Cultural Ministry through the efforts of Consul General of Cyprus **Nick Theophanous** and his wife **Soteria**. This donation alone is worth many thousands of dollars!

Meanwhile, this year registration takes place on line, by logging on to <http://www.gofddf.org>. You may also use this site to make hotel reservations through the Ontario Convention Bureau. As for event packages, three are available: 1) full packages for \$240; 2) events only packages for

\$200 (includes banquet but no other meals), and 3) event only packages (e.g. for Division 3--Ta Angelakia) for \$80 (no meals or awards banquet; access to competition and evening events only). Please visit the site and indicate your FDF preference. We wish our groups well and commend them for their hard work in learning various ethnic folk dances and songs. This helps them appreciate their heritage and enables them one day to hand it on to their children.

## ORATORICAL FESTIVAL TO TAKE PLACE APRIL 3RD

Participation in the Saint John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival is one more event to which our young people look forward, for it helps them attain confidence, as they stand up and speak (many for the first time) before an audience. At the Annunciation Cathedral, this event will take place on Sunday, April 3rd, following the Liturgy. The winners will go on to compete in the regional festival, which will take place on Sunday, April 10, at the Nativity of Christ Church in Ignacio. The winners of the regional festival will go on and compete in the Metropolis-wide festival, which will take place at the St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center on Saturday, May 14.

The Festival is named for St. John Chrysostom, who was born in the ancient city of Antioch in 347 AD to a noble and pious family. John studied to be a lawyer and was an

## 2005 JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

The remainder of the Junior varsity games involving the Annunciation Cathedral teams is as follows:

### Saturday, February 5

9:00 a.m.	Boys C	Annunciation and St. Vartan at Ascension
10:00 a.m.	Boys B	Annunciation and St. Vartan at Ascension
11:00 p.m.	Boys A	Annunciation and St. Vartan at Ascension
Bye	Girls A	

### Sunday, February 13

3:30 p.m.	Boys C	Annunciation and St. Nicholas Antiochian at Resurrection
Bye	Girls A, Boys B, Boys A	

### Sunday, February 27

2:15 p.m.	Girls A	Annunciation and Holy Cross at Annunciation
3:30 p.m.	Boys C	Annunciation and Holy Cross at Annunciation
4:45 p.m.	Boys B	Annunciation and Holy Cross at Annunciation
6:00 p.m.	Boys A	Annunciation and Holy Cross at Annunciation

### Sunday, March 6

2:15 p.m.	Boys C	Annunciation and St. Nicholas #2 at Annunciation
3:30 p.m.	Boys A	Annunciation and St. Nicholas at Annunciation
2:15 p.m.	Girls A	Annunciation and St. Nicholas at Holy Trinity
3:30 p.m.	Boys B	Annunciation and St. Nicholas at Holy Trinity

Parishioners and friends of the Cathedral are invited to join family members and friends as we cheer on our teams. For game times and standings, visit the OYAA web site, at <http://members.lycos.co.uk/oYaahoops>

Meanwhile, the Basketball gym practice schedule is as follows:

### Wednesday Evenings

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	High School Girls Practice
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Boys A Practice
8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.	Adult Open Gym

### Thursday Evenings

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Boys C and Girls A
7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Boys B
8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.	Open Gym for Adults

Following FDF, since we will not have dance practice for a while, basketball practice will also take place Tuesday nights.

# Community Link

## Creating Connections

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### FIRST COMMUNITY LINK GATHERING



Community Link volunteers preparing the *Vasilopites*

Taking the *Vasilopites* fresh from the oven



Sharing the *Vasilopita* with members of our community



On Saturday, January 15, members of the Annunciation Cathedral—children and high school students, young adults and seniors—came together to strengthen the bonds of our community, reaching out to others in the name of Christ.

**If you would like to get involved**, plan to come to our next gathering on **Saturday, February 19, at 10:00 AM**. We will be baking and decorating Valentine's cookies to share with those we visit. Contact Fr. Paul Schroeder at (415) 753-3075 or [frpaul@sanfran.goarch.org](mailto:frpaul@sanfran.goarch.org) for more details.

**If you know someone who would like a visit** (seniors, those undergoing illness or a particularly stressful time, or those celebrating a joyful occasion such as the birth of a child), call our visitation coordinator, Irene Avdoulos, at (415) 863-6981, or call the Cathedral Office at (415) 864-8000. All calls will be handled with confidentiality and sensitivity to your privacy.

**Next Gathering:**  
**Saturday, February 19**  
**10:00 AM**

### Sometimes Little Things Make a Big Difference

*By Lainey Pizanis*

It's amazing how much a warm loaf of bread, a smile, and time spent in conversation with someone will touch a person's heart. On January 15<sup>th</sup>, 20 members of our parish answered the call to participate in the first **Community Link** ministry meeting. Our goal was to bake 20 Vasilopitas for 20 visitations. Our lively group ranged in age from seven year old Zachary Schroeder to three seniors, Irene Avdoulos and John and Christina Johns.



Our crew arrived with mixing bowls, wooden spoons and enthusiasm as Presvytera Elizabeth Schroeder walked us through the stages of baking Vasilopita. We mixed the ingredients, kneaded the dough, laughed and got to know each other and prayed our bread would rise. The kitchen smelled heavenly!

Fr. Paul assigned us into teams of two or three and sent us off with our warm loaves of bread and directions. It is hard to describe with words the connection some of us experienced with those we visited. Sometimes little things make a big difference.

My mother once told me that the best place to find a helping hand is at the end of your own arm. Mom was right, and I wholeheartedly encourage those of you with some spare time to join us in our once-a-month visitations. The *parea* will warm your soul.

# February 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>MINI COOPER DRAWING</b> 3:30 - Basketball Games at Ascension		6:30 - 9:00 - Dance Practice 7-9 - Marriage Prep - Session I	Greek School 6:30 - Basketball Practice 8:30 - Adult Open Gym	<b>ST. HARALAMBOS</b> 10 - Divine Liturgy 1 - Philoptochos General Meeting 6:30 - Basketball Practice 8:30 - Adult Open Gym		
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exceptional student. He was led to a religious life, where he devoted himself to discipline and spiritual growth.

As a priest, St. John had the innate quality of winning the hearts of his audience, even though many times he would chastise them. He loved his people and would hold back nothing in order to inspire them, challenge them, and paternally lead them into upright living.

Chrysostom was also a great advocate of social justice and proclaimed the equality of all people before God. His sermons often spoke of the great disparity between rich and poor, and he placed the blame upon extortioners and the greedy rich. He did not camouflage injustice.

At the age of 49, he became Patriarch of Constantinople. He was an outspoken critic of the imperial court and frequently denounced the Empress Eudokia. After a series of exiles and returns to Constantinople, St. John was again banished in 403, and died two years later.

He earned the title, Chrysostomos, which means "golden mouth," because of his dynamic and forthright preaching. The Divine Liturgy most often celebrated in our Churches also bears his name, "The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom."

We observe the feast day of St. John Chrysostom on November 13th, and also honor him with St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory the Theologian on January 30th, the feast day known as that of the Three Hierarchs.

As one of our most honored Church Fathers, Patriarchs and Saints, and also because of his bold eloquence, it is fitting that our Archdiocese Oratorical Festival be named after this most celebrated preacher in the history of the Christian Church.

### ORTHODOX YOUTH MEMBER WINS TRIP TO JAPAN

Annunciation Cathedral eighth grader **Katherine Kurd** was rewarded with a ten-day, all expense paid trip to Narita, Japan next summer. Katherine, along with 9 fellow students from San Bruno Parkside Middle School, was selected to represent the city of San Bruno in its student exchange program with the city of Narita, home of the Tokyo International Airport.

Three of the school's faculty members nominated Katherine worthy of consideration for inclusion in the exchange program. Her academic standing, positive attitude, and extracurricular activities were among the criteria to determine 30 candidates from among 200 Parkside school eighth graders. A panel of nine teachers judged a speech competition in which the candidates participated, where ten finalists were selected to travel to Japan this July.

During their visit, the students will be living with Japanese host families, to learn and experience first-hand the culture and customs of the Japanese people.

### ANNUNCIATION YOUTH TO ATTEND M.I.T.

Needless to say, we are proud of all our youth, but especially when they go on and excel. Case in point is **Juliana Rotter**, daughter of **J. Ward and Barbara** (and sister of **Stephanie**), who has been accepted by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in Cambridge (just across the river from Boston, right near Harvard), Massachusetts. M.I.T. is regarded by many as the premier technological school in the country and one of the very best in the world. Obviously, Juliana is highly motivated and extremely talented. She loves learning and exploring and we are sure that she will do well in school and in life. Currently a senior at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Juliana is active at the Annunciation Cathedral, where she has served as assistant pre-school teacher, and where she has, year after year,

been a finalist in our St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. Accordingly, she has gone on to represent the Cathedral at the regional festival and has participated in the festival at the Metropolis level as well.

When Juliana is not busy with academics or service to the community, she can be found engaged in karate, one of her favorite hobbies. We wish her well in her new academic pursuits. May God always be with you, Juliana, and may He continue to bless you.

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### NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT 2005 SUMMER CAMP

Young people of our community have three camp options. One is our own camp, which for the last few years has been held at the Cassini Ranch along the shores of the Russian River, the last week in July or the first week in August. A second is the camp held at the St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center, in Dunlap, California. Finally, a third is the one held at the Ionian Village, on the shores of the Ionian Sea, in Greece.

During 2005 two summer sessions will be offered. One is for young people in grades 7 through 9. This will take place July 1st through July 19. The second is for young people in grades 10 through 12. This will take place July 25th through August 13th. For more information, visit the web site, [www.IonianVillage.org](http://www.IonianVillage.org). You may also call the Ionian Village office, at 646 519-6190.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

It's only January, but it is not too soon to plan how you are going to pay for your college education. Part of your college costs come from your savings and earnings, as well as those from your parents. Part of your expenses may come from various loans. A part may also come from financial aid and from scholarships.

The Annunciation Cathedral offers students who  
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are members of the Cathedral, a number of scholarships. These are the **John N. Pappas** and the **Christos Tsikitas Scholarships**, which award amounts up to \$1,000, depending upon the income earned by the funds. The Cathedral also maintains the **Maria Panagoulis Scholarship Fund** and the **Sonia Spachis Scholarship Fund** and will award scholarships from these funds when the income earned in these funds permits the awarding of scholarships in the amount of at least \$500. In addition, the **Cathedral Ladies Philoptochos** also awards an annual scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to a student who is a member of the Annunciation Cathedral/Annunciation Cathedral Philoptochos.

The Pappas and Tsikitas (and, eventually, the Panagoulis) Scholarships are given to members of the Cathedral community who are high school graduates and who are currently enrolled or who plan to enroll in a college or university of technical or vocational school, without a view to their career objectives. The Spachis Scholarship is given to a member of the Cathedral community who, additionally, participates or has participated in the Greek Folk Dance Program.

Finally, through the Cathedral, a **Dr. Anthony P. Bagatelos Medical Scholarship** is awarded to students who are: a) of Greek descent; or b) of the Greek Orthodox faith; and who: a) matriculate at and attend medical school, preferably at Stanford University; and b) intend to practice medicine within the nine county area surrounding San Francisco Bay, preferably in San Francisco. Up to 75% of the income earned by the fund is awarded in the form of a scholarship for tuition or other school-related expenses. Typically, the scholarship is awarded to the same student until that student graduates from medical school, provided that, after submitting the initial application, the student requests the medical school to verify to the Annunciation Cathedral, in writing, by June 1, that the student has satisfactorily completed course work for the year.

To apply for one of the Cathedral scholarships, please request an application, in writing: Annunciation Cathedral Scholarship Committee, 245 Valencia Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

To apply for the Philoptochos scholarship, please request an application, in writing: Annunciation Cathedral Philoptochos Scholarship Committee, 245 Valencia Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

There are a number of other scholarship options as well. One of these is a \$5,000 scholarship given in memory of **Peter Agris**, founder and publisher of *The Hellenic Chronicle*, a leading national English language weekly newspaper for Americans of Greek descent. Criteria include: Greek American heritage, currently a journalism or communications major at the graduate or undergraduate level, a 3.0 GPA, financial need. Students may go online to: [www.alphaomegacouncil.com](http://www.alphaomegacouncil.com) and download the application or write to: The Peter Agris Memorial Scholarship Committee, c/o Nancy Agris Savage, 9 Nonesuch Drive, Natick, MA 01760. The deadline for the application, transcript and a brief essay is March 1, 2005. Questions may be directed to [nancyasavage@cs.com](mailto:nancyasavage@cs.com).

We will keep you apprised of other scholarship possibilities as these become known to us.

### **FURTHER ON OUR 70th**

As previously announced, we are making plans to mark the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the Annunciation. Recall that our community began in 1921 as St. Sophia. Following six years in a church at Hayes and Pierce Streets in San Francisco, in 1927, the community acquired the Valencia Street Theater, which it turned into a church. Meanwhile, the community was named as Cathedral Church for the newly established Diocese of San Francisco. (Initially there were four Dioceses which made

up the Archdiocese, established in 1922; these were: New York, Boston, Chicago and, of course, San Francisco.) In 1936 the community reorganized and became known as "United Greek Orthodox Community of San Francisco, The Annunciation." Since then, it has been known, simply, as "Annunciation Cathedral." Except for a brief period of time when the Cathedral was relocated to the newly constructed St. Sophia in Los Angeles, during the 1950's, Annunciation has always been the Cathedral Church for the Diocese, now the Metropolis of San Francisco. St. Sophia in Los Angeles continues to be called a cathedral church, and a number of other churches in the Metropolis have been named cathedral churches (such as SS Constantine and Helen's in Honolulu, Ascension in Oakland, and Holy Trinity in Phoenix).

However, Annunciation is the Metropolitan's Cathedral Church. The others are, as the late Metropolitan Anthony used to say, "honoris causa," or "honorary cathedrals". They have been so named because of their distinguished service in our Metropolis. **November 11, 2006** is the date selected for this gala celebration. Please note the date on your calendars. Soon, we will name a committee, which will make plans to appropriately mark the occasion.

### **HAPS TO SPONSOR GREEK LETTERS DAY AT CATHEDRAL**

Greek Letters Day will be celebrated by the Hellenic American Professional Society of Northern California on Sunday, February 13, at the Annunciation Cathedral. An Artoclasia will be held to honor scholars (the 2005 Scholarship recipients are **Erica L. Holland**, **Erene N. Kuvetakis**, and **Christos N. Theophanous**). A luncheon will follow, at 1:00 p.m., (\$40 per person), during which two AXION Award recipients will be recognized (they are **Peter A. Bagatelos**, Esq. and **Patricia Kay Lagiss**) and the scholarships awarded, as noted above. For reservations or additional information, please call **George Mattis** at 415 566-4308, **Loys Rodatos** at 415 282-0808 or **Virginia Lagiss** at 650 851-0270.

### **THINKING ABOUT AN EVENT IN OUR KORINTHIAS CENTER?**

First, call **Mike Canellos**, at 415 864-8815, or 415 864-8000 to book the date for your event. Then, call **Jack Spachis**, our caterer, on his cell, at 415 609-1977, or at the restaurant, at 415 647-3200. He will happily help you discuss and plan your business luncheon, baptismal or wedding reception, or any other event requiring food and use of Cathedral facilities.

### **RECENT SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL**

#### **BAPTISMS**

**Maria Neita**, daughter of Dustin Novo and Chrisoula Bissas, was baptized January 15. Her sponsor is Despina Tsampis.

**Jeremy David**, son of David Allen Felix and Peggie Ann Mead, was baptized January 23. His sponsors are Theodora Shiacos and Caroline Pappajohn.

*Na Mas Zisoun! (Long Life!)*

### **GOOD HEALTH TO A CATHEDRAL FRIEND**

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Jim Dariotes**, who recently suffered a stroke in Indianapolis. Get well soon, good friend, and come visit us!

# ΝΕΑ ΤΟΥ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΣΜΟΥ

## ΑΝΑΜΕΝΕΤΑΙ Ο ΕΝΤΑΦΙΑΣΜΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΤΟΥ ΑΝΤΩΝΙΟΥ ΣΤΗ ΜΟΝΗ ΤΗΣ ΖΩΟΔΟΧΟΥ ΠΗΓΗΣ

Όπως σημειώσαμε στο δελτίο του Ιανουαρίου, ο ίδιος Μητροπολίτης μας, κ. Αντώνιος εξέφρασε, γραπτός, την επιθυμία όπως το τρίσάγιό του τελεσθεί στον Καθεδρικό Ναό του Ευαγγελισμού, και ότι η κηδεία του τελεσθεί στον Ναό της αναλύψεως στην Οκλάνδη, λόγω του ότι ο Ευαγγελισμός ακόμα δεν έχει ναό κατάλληλο για τον κόσμο που θα παρακολουθούσε την κηδεία. Επίσης, εξέφρασε την επιθυμία όπως ο τελικός ενταφιασμός γίνει στην Μονή της Ζωοδόχου Πηγής που ευρίσκεται στο Ίδρυμα του Αγίου Νικολάου.

Επειδή δεν υπάρχει νεκροταφείο στην Μονή, θα πρέπει να δοθεί ειδική άδεια. Πληροφορείστε ότι, εισηγήσει των Γερουσιαστών Πουτσίγκιαν, Άλκουιστ και Σπίερ, πέρασε από την Γερουσία στις 27 Ιανουαρίου νομοσχέδιο, το οποίο αναμένεται τη 1η ή την 2η Φεβρουαρίου να περάσει και από την Βουλή (της Πολιτείας της Καλιφόρνιας), που να επιτρέπει τον ως άνω ενταφιασμό. Το νομοσχέδιο θα υπογράψει ο Κυβερνήτης κ. Σουόρτσνέγκερ. Πληροφορούμαστε επίσης ότι οι κυβερνητικές αρχές του νομού εκεί που στεγάζεται η Μονή συμφωνούν και έτσι προβλέπεται μόλις είναι δυνατόν (ίσως προς το τέλος του μηνός) να γίνει η μεταφορά από το Ελληνικό Νεκροταφείο εδώ, όπου ετέθη η σορός μετά την κηδεία, στην Μονή. Μόλις μάθουμε θα ειδοποιήσουμε το εκκλησίασμα του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού όπως μεταβούν (όσοι, βέβαια, θέλουν και μπορούν) και παρακολουθήσουν τον ενταφιασμό του Μητροπολίτη μας στην Μονή.

## ΚΑΙ ΤΩΡΑ ΤΙ ΓΙΝΕΤΑΙ:

Εξηγούμε λεπτομερώς στο αγγλικό μέρος του παρόντος δελτίου την όλη διαδικασία της εκλογής νέου μητροπολίτη Αγίου Φραγκίσκου. Με λίγα λόγια, υπάρχουν περίπου 35 ποψήφιοι, δηλαδή κληρικών που έχουν τα προσόντα να εκλεγούν (έχουν αποφοιτήσει από αναγνωρισμένη θεολογική σχολή, κλπ.) Κατά τα μέσα Φεβρουαρίου θα συνέλθει η Επαρχιακή Σύνοδος της Ιεράς μας Αρχιεπισκοπής, που θα εκλέξει τον νέο κατάλληλο. Θα σχηματιστεί "τριπρόσωπο" όπως το παγορεύει το Καταστατικό της Αρχιεπισκοπής, δηλαδή τα πρόσωπα των τριών που θα λάβουν τους περισσότερους ψήφους. Αυτό θα υποβληθεί στην Αγία και Ιερά Σύνοδο του Σελτικού Ιουμμενικού Πατριαρχείου, η οποία θα διαλέξει έναν. Εάν είναι ιερέας, ο νέος μητροπολίτης θα χειροτονηθεί επίσκοπος και στη συνέχεια θα ενθρονισθεί εδώ (στην Μητρόπολη--που κριβώς δεν γνωρίζουμε ακόμη). Εάν ήδη είναι επίσκοπος, απλώς θα ενθρονισθεί και θα αναλάβει τα καθήκοντά του σαν νέος Μητροπολίτης Αγίου Φραγκίσκου. Μόλις ακούσουμε χετικά θα ενημερώσουμε τα μέλη του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού σε τα παρευρεθείτε και στην ενθρόνιση (ιστορικό γεγονός) και σε τυχόν δείπνο που θα επακολουθήσει.

## Ο ΠΡΟΫΠΟΛΟΓΙΣΜΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΚΑΘΕΔΡΙΚΟΥ ΜΑΣ ΝΑΟΥ

Σε άλλο μέρος του παρόντος δελτίου θα ιδείτε σχεδιαγράμμο που παρουσιάζει τον προϋπολογισμό της Κοινότητάς μας για το τρέχον έτος. Προβλέπεται ότι 41% του εισοδήματός μας έρχεται από τις δωρεές (στούαρντσιπ) των πιστών μας. Επίσης, ως προς τα έξοδα, σημειώνουμε ότι 34% των εξόδων είναι για μισθούς του προσωπικού, συμπεριλαμβανομένων και των ιερών μας. 8% των εξόδων είναι για τον τόκο που πληρώνουμε στην τράπεζα για την πρώτη φάση της οικοδομής (σημειώστε ότι χρεωτούμε λίγο περισσότερο από \$1 εκατομμύριο). Ου, λοιπόν, βρίσκουμε τα υπόλοιπα χρήματα που απαιτούνται για την λειτουργία της Κοινότητάς μας; Δυστυχώς, από το οίκον που εισπράτουμε από το Σχολείο Ουόλντορφ, το οποίο θα προτιμούσαμε να φυλάξουμε για τη δεύτερη φάση. Εξαιτίας ταύτα, η Κοινότητα του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού

που παρέχει, ακόμα και στον οικονομικό τομέα. Η αξία μόνο των παρόντων κτιρίων κάνει τα μέλη της αξία συγχαρητηρίων. Πρέπει να αισθανόμαστε περήφανοι γι' αυτά που έχουμε κατορθώσει, και γι' αυτά που έχουμε να κάνουμε ακόμη--τον ναό και το πάρκιγκ.

## ΝΑ ΜΙΛΗΣΕΙ ΠΑΛΙ Ο ΠΑΤΕΡΑΣ ΣΤΥΛΙΑΝΟΣ ΣΤΟ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΡΑΔΙΟΦΩΝΙΚΟ ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ:

Ενθυμείστε ασφαλώς ότι μέχρι πριν πέντε χρόνια ο Πατέρας Στυλιανός μιλούσε για ένα πεντάλεπτο στην Ελληνική Ραδιοφωνική Ώρα, συμμεριζόμενος ένα μήνυμα και στη συνέχεια νέα της Κοινότητας. Υπάρχει ευκαιρία, και θα το θέλαμε, ώστε ο Πατέρας Στυλιανός να ξαναρχίσει να μιλάει στη Ραδιοφωνική Ώρα, που ακούεται κάθε βράδυ, 8 με 8:30 στο 1400 AM. Συγκεκριμένα, του προτίνεται μία 7 λεπτή συμμετοχή, στο τέλος του προγράμματος κάθε Δευτέρα. Το κόστος γι' αυτή τη συμμετοχή είναι \$119 κάθε βδομάδα· ανέρχεται στα \$6,188 το χρόνο. Για τον προϋπολογισμό της Κοινότητας, όπως τον αναφέραμε προηγουμένως, είναι πολλά χρήματα. Και όμως με τα σημερινά δεδομένα, δεν είναι πολλά. Έτσι, θα ακούεται και η "φωνή" της Ορθόδοξης Εκκλησίας, και ειδικά του Ευαγγελισμού. Και ρωτάμε: θα θέλατε ο Πατέρας Στυλιανός να αναλάβει πάλι αυτή τη διακονία; Με άλλα λόγια, υπάρχουν άνθρωποι που θα έδιναν τα απαιτούμενα χρήματα ώστε να πραγματοποιηθεί "η φωνή του Ευαγγελισμού;" Παρακαλείσθε όπως μιλήσετε με τον ίδιο ή με οποιοδήποτε μέλος του Κοινοτικού μας Συμβουλίου.

## ΤΑ ΧΟΡΕΥΤΙΚΑ ΣΥΓΚΡΟΤΗΜΑΤΑ ΕΤΟΙΜΑΖΟΝΤΑΙ ΓΙΑ ΤΟ ΦΔΦ

Κάθε χρόνο, τα παιδιά μας ασκούνται ώστε να λάβουν μέρος στον χορευτικό συναγωνισμό που γίνεται στην Μητρόπολή μας, αυτό που λέγεται Χορευτικό Φεστιβάλ. Εφέτος, αυτό θα γίνει στο Οντάριο της Καλιφόρνιας, 17 με 20 Φεβρουαρίου, με τη συμμετοχή 110 συγκροτημάτων. Η Κοινότητά μας θα στείλει 4 συγκροτήματα. Ευχαριστούμε όλους όσοι ενισχύουν το πρόγραμμα αυτό, γονείς, συγγενείς, ακόμα και αυτοί που δεν έχουν δικά τους παιδιά, η που δεν έχουν παιδιά στα χορευτικά, όμως κάμνουν ό,τι δυνατόν να εξασφαλίσουν το μέλλον του προγράμματος. Εφέτος ευχαριστούμε ιδιαίτερα τον Γενικό Πρόξενο της Κύπρου, τον κ. Νίκο Θεοφάνους, και τη σύζυγό του Σωτηρία, που φρόντισαν ώστε η Κυπριακή Κυβέρνηση να παραχωρήσει δωρεάν στον Καθεδρικό Ναό όλες τις στολές για το συγκρότημα APETH, το οποίο θα παρουσιάσει στο φεστιβάλ και παραδοσιακούς κυπριακούς χορούς. Τους ευχαριστούμε για τη γενναιοδωρία αυτή.

## ΒΙΒΛΙΚΗ ΜΕΛΕΤΗ ΜΕ ΤΗΝ ΜΑΡΙΝΑ ΤΕΥΛΟΡ

Γράφει η κ Τέυλορ: "Εύχομαι με το καλό να ανταμώσουμε και πάλι τις Κυριακές και να αρχίσουμε ξανά την μελέτη μας της Αγίας Γραφής. Τα θέματα μας θα είναι γύρω από τον θάνατο, την Ανάσταση και την Αιώνια Ζωή. Επίσης, γύρω από την τέχνη της σωτηρίας μας. Σας εσωκλείω το Πρόγραμμα των ομιλιών, για να προετοιμαζέσθε κι' εσείς και να συμμετέχετε στις ομιλίες μας." Το πρόγραμμα για τον Φεβρουάριο έχει ως ακολούθως: 6 και 13 Φεβρουαρίου: Γιατί ο θάνατος στη ζωή μας; Μερικές σκέψεις: Τι είναι ο θάνατος; Η διάλυση του σώματος. Τι είναι η ψυχή; Αμαρτία-πτώση. Προπατορικό αμάρτημα. Αρχέγονα χαρίσματα. Οι δερμάτινοι χειτώνες. 20 και 27 Φεβρουαρίου: Όταν η ψυχή χωρίζεται από το σώμα. Μερικές σκέψεις: Το μυστήριο της εξόδου της ψυχής από το σώμα. Επιθανάτιες οπτασίες. Φως και ευωδία. Μνήμη θανάτου. Ο τελωνισμός των ψυχών. Ο φύλακας άγγελος την ώρα του τελωνισμού της ψυχής. Το κλάμα, η κηδεία, η ταφή. Το πολύ ενδιαφέρον μάθημα αυτό γίνεται στον Καθεδρικό Ναό μετά την Θεία Λειτουργία έως ώρα 1:30 μ.μ.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Month of February

Philoptochos Membership Drive

MARCH 14, 2005

Great Lent Begins

MARCH 25, 2005

Church Name Day Luncheon

APRIL 24, 2005

Palm Sunday

MAY 1, 2005

Holy Pascha

MAY 7, 2005

Mother's Day Luncheon/Fashion Show

June 19, 2005

Father's Day Brunch

NOVEMBER 11, 2006

70th Anniversary Celebration

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